



The Rolnik Law Firm



Patent Application & Registration Attorney



[07-20-2009] The Rolnik Law Firm sponsors blawg:QuickInvent.com a resource for inventors and innovators.



[06-12-2009] The Rolnik Law Firm launches its redesigned website.



[04-14-2009] Patent No. [7,519,638](#) granted. "Method for Developing Enterprise Information Life Cycle Management Policies and Solutions" issues from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Filing for a patent is a vital step towards protecting an inventor's interests, or that of the company who hired the inventor. Acquiring a patent grants a property right to the inventor via the Patent and Trademark Office. In general, patents will last 20 years and protect the owners from others making, using, offering for sale, or selling the invention. Given the importance of protecting your invention in order to maximize your best interests, this is a process that should be conducted with the guidance of a highly qualified patent attorney. Robert Rolnik has a long history of advising on intellectual property issues for a wide range of clients.

Robert is familiar with the ins and outs of these processes, including the lengthy appeal process. Patent registration is done through the Patent and Trademark Office, also known as the PTO. To ensure success, many invention features must be described in detail before filing the application, such as; proper description of the invention and all of its various configurations, use cases, and claims of the patent. A complete and detailed specification help determine the extent of the patent owner's rights to claim ownership on their invention – as well as whether a patent will be granted at all. Robert can help you fully describe your invention in a patent application at the necessary level so that the maximum range of patent claim scopes can be tried, and in some cases, allowed by the PTO.

Unfortunately, many people can overlook the requirement to teach, in the details of the patent, the features of the invention so one of ordinary skill in the art understands each feature to be claimed. Failure to adequately teach the features, and alternative configurations can result in the PTO rejecting the claims in a manner that cannot be overcome, regardless of the skill of the advocate working for the inventor. This can end up costing inventor and/or applicant a lot of time and money. Further, inventive details that the inventor fails to disclose or adequately teach, can leave gaps that competitors can exploit. Also, they might find that they go through the whole process only to find that the patent has already been secured by another party.

A second area of concern, is the possibility that the application is filed without accounting for close prior art, or published inventions made before the inventor's efforts – a situation that also makes securing the invention highly unlikely. Robert Rolnik can help you search for novelty of the invention, to see if there are any other patents that protect similar inventions that might lead to rejection via anticipation or obviousness. This type of mining for similarities also brings up another very important aspect of Robert's services, which is defending clients from patent infringement.

According to the PTO, patent infringement is defined as, "... the act of making, using, selling, or offering to sell a patented invention, or importing into the United States a product covered by a claim of a patent without the permission of the patent owner." There are times where clients who own an existing patent may feel that other people are using their ideas without their permission, and there are cases where Robert might help determine whether a novel patent is indeed infringing upon another existing patent. Robert Rolnik's experience in dealing with cases of patent infringement has proven to be invaluable to his clients.

Whether you are at the stage of applying for, or prosecuting a patent, you do not want to discount the importance of hiring a patent attorney with the experience and track record of Robert Rolnik. With his professional and personable legal services, Robert will help you make sure your time and money are well spent as you seek the approval of your patent application. If you live in Houston, Kingwood, Humble, or the Woodlands, and you need a patent attorney, give the Rolnik Law Firm a call today.

Registered Patent Attorney



Training and Experience

Robert Rolnik was educated in many countries before he attended the University of Illinois to obtain a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science in 1989. At Motorola, Inc. Mr. Rolnik developed software, performed cellular system design and system integration as well as invented at least one patented invention. While at Motorola, Mr. Rolnik obtained a Juris Doctorate from John Marshall Law School. Mr. Rolnik was hired by Nokia, Inc. in 1996 as their Senior Patent Attorney at their American headquarters, where he performed transactions, licenses, and patent prosecution. Mr. Rolnik transitioned to private practice at Yee and Associates, P.C. where he filed many patent applications for fortune 500 companies. Mr. Rolnik combines decades of communications and information technology engineering experience with proven legal skills now in his practice in Kingwood Texas, where he serves small inventors and blue chip corporations.



Annuities

We monitor and pay annuity payments to maintain patents in force as you require.

Patent Attorney Services

Services:

The Rolnik Law Firm is an intellectual property firm that has helped a wide range of clientele reach their goals of protecting their property rights via the patent application process. Some of our services include:

Patentability search:

We help determine whether or not new inventions are new, useful, and nonobvious based upon investigation of prior art, so that a client can decide whether to move on to the patent application process.

Non-infringement opinions:

Sometimes new inventions might fall into a gray area, where the inventors may need opinions as to whether or not their new idea is infringing upon the patents of other owners. These can be hard to ascertain without the service of a registered patent lawyer experienced in this aspect of the process.

Patent prosecution:

Robert Rolnik also helps clients establish their applications in ways that the PTO will best understand and be able to grant the patent to the applicant. A clear, formal presentation will often help applicants navigate through this winding process with relative ease and with success.

Our services have helped many people get intellectual property on their ideas so that they can protect their investment in research and development by reducing the chance of free riding competitors. Do not risk moving forward with the costly and time-consuming process without considering to receive a consultation from one of our qualified patent attorneys. Your idea is far too valuable to risk losing out to neglect, rejection or poor prosecution. If you are in need of a PTO registered patent lawyer who can help you accomplish these objectives, and many more regarding the patent and trademarking process, contact the Rolnik Law Firm today. We proudly represent clients in Houston, Kingwood, Humble, and the Woodlands, in Texas.

Patent Attorney Resources



USPTO Website

The United States Patent and Trademark Portal to the patent application, trademark application and other processes



World Intellectual Property Organization

Domain names, patent search facilities and other intellectual properties



Google Patents

Google's index of U.S. patents, complete with images.

New Invention Patent Filing

If you have developed a new invention, then the very first thing on your mind -- before planning to implement, market, sell, or distribute your invention and earn royalties-- is seeking a new invention patent. Without a patent to protect your new invention, you will essentially be releasing your new idea into the wild, where it can be used, copied, and even patented under your feet, leaving you without any proper protection or legal recourse. At the Rolnik Law Firm, we are committed to providing the service of helping inventors protect their ideas by properly filing for a patent.

The process of patent preparation, filing and patent granting is time-consuming and complicated. The services we provide at the Rolnik Law Firm include investigating for other similar patents, formal description, and presentation of your invention so that the PTO can best review it, and grant the application.

If you have already filed for a patent and faced rejection, we can also help you adapt and improvise and determine so you can to determine if indeed there is a way to negate the U.S. patent offices allegation of likeness to another patent. In other words, strategies like amendment, examiner teleconferences, continuation filing and appealing may be used to successfully earn your patent.

We proudly offer our patent license and new utility and design invention registration services to the cities of Houston, Kingwood, Humble, and the Woodlands, in the state of Texas. For more information about our services, or for a consultation regarding your patent, give us a call today!

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